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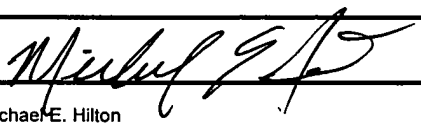
Signature			
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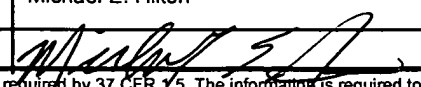
Signature		Date	January 10, 2008

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Applicants gratefully note the allowance of Claims 1, 3-16, and 18 in the present application. Reasons for allowance, however, are only warranted in instances in which "the record of the prosecution as a whole does not make clear [the Examiner's] reasons for allowing a claim or claims." 37 C.F.R. 1.104 (e). In the present case, Applicant believes the record as a whole does make clear the reasons for allowance and therefore no statement by the Examiner is necessary or warranted. Moreover, Applicants believe that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in this case are improper as apparently merely copying independent Claim 1 into the reason for allowance. While Applicants believe that the claims are allowable, Applicants do not

acquiesce that patentability resides in each identified feature or combination of features, exactly as expressed in the claims, or that each feature or combination of features identified is required for patentability, or that equivalents of any of the recited features are outside the scope of the claims. Moreover, to the extent the Reasons For Allowance do not separately address the additional subject matter of remaining Claims 3-16, and 18, Applicants do not acquiesce to any inference that these claims do not present patentable subject independent of the patentability of Claim 1.

features are outside the scope of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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